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re OU 6 Tech Memo 1

Dear Mr Schassburger

EPA has reviewed your December 21, 1992, Technical Memorandum 1 submittal for OU 6 (Walnut Creek Drainage). After consultation with CDH, we find that the technical concerns raised in the November 3, 1992, CDH letter and during the November 12, 1992, field reconnaissance/meeting have been adequately addressed, with one exception. Toxicity testing must be added to the high-flow/runoff sampling event to quantify the effect of contaminant loadings under these conditions. Thus, as lead regulatory agency for OU 6, EPA hereby grants approval of the subject document for use in guiding field investigation efforts on the condition that toxicity testing is performed during the high-flow sampling event.

In taking this action, we note that the OU 6 Workplan schedule indicates field investigations for this OU should have been completed in November, 1992. We urge DOE to complete these efforts as quickly as possible in order to avoid possible problems with timely delivery of the Remedial Investigation Report scheduled for submittal on August 4, 1993.

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If you have questions or would like to discuss the progress of this effort, please contact Bill Fraser (EPA) at 294-1081.

Sincerely,

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